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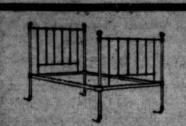
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For The Pocahontas Times

The Creasure Crove.

house with its large barns and out- the front porch.

ing about it until after he was porter said. and when I hed raised to give him ready to pull fer de shoah!" struck the ground. The folks come guest. running out of the house, and one

save his life, poor ole feller.' cut the big vein in his leg on the ously. He started for the diningmowin' scythe when he were ten room, but was stopped by hiz old year old, old Barney was the only colored friend.

doctor got here just in time, as it bell! De nex' time you heahs de ing Bill." I hasten to avoid fur-

always think of old Barney. "Then one of the little gals hol-

lered out:

from Jake Rallings.' "Then the big one said. " 'Hush up, smarty!'

I said purty peart, 'Well, I'll furdy. How's Mis' Asbury, how's lar, and perhaps reduce me to a complete state of modern civilization the corpse,' and the old cent Miss Allie?" cass outen the road would have est race of men ever made.

in front of their house." the day when Weston arrived with the mail at Prattsville. Here he moniously opened the door and as yet, to the best of my knowledge. was within a half-mile of the cross bade him very politely walk out to Present my sincerest roads to which he had been travel- dinner. The second ringing of the your father, and tell him that I reing for several hundred miles. The second bell was the lucky number peat my bold declaration that he is a peat my bold declaration that he is a better writer than his son. superfluous. In the country in the racket." which he was now traveling the ign-boards of "houses of entertainment" were one of the notice-

able features of the journey. necessary to tell every one that very pretty "hired girls." The this was "Hotel Moulton," the called each one at the table as they landlord had had some pictures passed the dish and gave each his painted in and occupying the en- due title or name with the excen-

throwing his rider headlong, and He seemed to be set apart. was entitled "This man didn't."

the jingling of the bell Though he came on foot he was of sation with him, exhibiting that woke up a stiff and sore course genteel looking, and the lovable curiosity, or rather interes traveler, and he was fain to avoid landlady ushered him into the very in the young man thich enables the cart of the mail carrier, and best room in the house. It was traveler to find fi when he met the man at the hotel handsomely furnished for the par- he goes. breakfast table he was not sorry to lor of the hotel and had a bed in "Nice time for traveling," said hear that he had not replaced the it, and only drummers and other the Colonel. horse that had dropped in his star "transients" were put in there. "Yes, very." tracks and died in the road, and he Whenever there were ladies this determined to walk the ten miles was their reception room, and as falling weather." yet remaining in company with that very evening the daughter of "I hope not." the man who literally carried the the house had company, and Weston very good naturedly waited un- this season." About two miles out they came til the witching hour of midnight, n sight of a comfortable farm- when the young man got as far as from East Virginia, and it seems

buildings denoting peaceful pros- Having been duly installed, he out of these mountains where he perity. As they passed the gate had hardly washed his hands when has so many places to hide." leading into the barn the mail car- he heard the ubiquitous bell of the "What did you say, sir?" hostelry of this region. He look-"There's where my old horse ed at his watch in surprise. It venture had fallen on the stony died. Curious about that old horse was eleven o'clock. He was hun- ground of common sense. "I said dying right there. He were a gry, having had breakfast early that winter seemed to entrench twenty-five year old. The feller and a ten-mile walk, and he went himself in the mountains and defy what traded him to me 'fessed up into the hall. Seeing an old color- his enemy the sun." to nineteen, and he were colted on ed man, the porter, he asked him | "Oh! What house do you trave this here very farm. They kept the way to the dining-room. The for?" him till about a year ago, when old man led him there. Seeing "I'm not a drummer," Weston they give him to a man who prom- the table set, it was eternally set, answered, not too well pleased. " ised to treat him well for the rest but Weston did not know it, he at- am here to spend a holiday." Will practice in the Courts of Poca-hontas and adjoining counties and in the Supreme Court of Appeals. | ing about it until after he was porter said.

dead. I traded a mule fer him "No, boss, de dinner aint ready." last Christmas and put him on this Not by er jugful. We better git here mail - route. Whenever he out 'fore Mis Aggy come and would git to that there gate I ketches us yere! No, sah, dat bell's He rose from the table with an air would jest have to flail him along. de ting what hab mistook you. that might have been unconcerned Monday as I kem along the road Dat's jest de fust ringin' of de fus- if it was not so studiously distant here he were hobbling along test bell. Dat's meant fer de men The Colonel never saw anything to mighty slow, but when he got in plantin' co'n in de Little Medder, cultivate in the man who walked. sight of the barn he went sailing. We gives dem de time er day with He belonged to the class that He stopped as he ginerally did, fer dat: and when dey yere's dat tin- would walk two miles to get a I never could lam hit out of him, nabum dey knows dey kin soon git horse out of the pasture that he

of the gals hollers out, 'It's old one mistikfy you. Dats de second town it settled it, and he evinced Barney!' Then Mis' Eldridge lows ringin ob the fustest bell, and de no further curiosity. It was the to ole Captain Eldridge that this ban's wants ter be spry about wa- only thing he had against his new here was some of his chickens com- terin' deir hoss flesh, cause Mis friend, but without reasoning an ing home to roost, and the ole Aggy natcherly do raise cain when unfavorable impression had been Captain look blue as the mischief, de men folks aint ready to eat formed. and be said, "Yes, Mandy, but Ar- when de dinnah is ready."

thur insisted on not winterin' him Weston went back to his room and it was all that I could do to and waited a half hour, and heard the big bell go for the second time. "'Yes,' says Mis' Eldridge, 'that He did not stir, and presently he take the liberty to publish, to show 's jest like Arthur. But when he heard a small hand bell ring vigor- how a certain controversy ends.

bell, you comes."

"Then one of the gals 'lowed she In about ten minutes the "fustanother letter in the mail. She'd Weston hurried out and met the porter in the hall.

"Go back, boss, dat's de porter's signual. Dat's to take Kunel As-"'I'll bet you like to git one bury's hoss to de stable." As he burried away he heard the old darkey mutter: "Dat's de hongriest bers of which, were they suddenly man I eber see in all my born confronted with this damaging evidence of youthful indiscretion, "The old Capting lowed he would days." And as he reached the give the old horse a decent burial. horse block, "Howdy, kurnel, how-

looked at me steady fer about five "Very well, Uncle Ike, how are minutes and said, "You git on you?" was the frank reply in a down the road. The likes of you powerful voice from a hale, elderly aint fit to be trusted with horse- gentleman, with white whiskers Who "Stammering Bill" is I hav flesh'; and I went. But he did n't growing out of a rosy red face; the n't the faintest idea, but I commit

old plug's grave. Bet they would and was reading when he heard ture "Be sure your sins will find n't bury me half as well if I'd die the handbell jingle again. He you out." Take Ragged Bill's adconcluded he would not go again, vice and never attempt origina "It was not yet the middle of and after a while a middle-aged writing, lest it return to trouble question of where to stop was quite and Weston was now fully "on to

Dinner was half way through with all at the long table in the dining-room when he entered. The Colonel was engaged in eating a Prattsville had an exceptionally the head of the table while th laring one. Besides the wording dishes were passed around by tw

tire portion of the board. One was tion of Weston, and they abashed a man on good terms with his him by pressing dishes on him mule and was labelled, "This man with "Will you have some bread?" stopped for dinner and had his giving the you such an emphasis orse fed." The other was a mule that it made him uncomfortable.

The Colonel presently made HE next morning very early Here Weston secured a room, such advances as to start a conver-

"Looks like we might have son

"Had a mighty backward spring

"Seems to have been here. I am to me that winter is barder to chase

Weston colored a little.

"You come from Tuckshoe, eh? "Richmond is my home." "Riding or driving?"

"Neither, I am walking." The Colonel froze in a moment might ride one mile. Other men the whip he fell all of a sudden, "But how will the next bell be might be particular about their meant everything. And when he "La no, boss, don't let de nex' heard the young man walked into

(To be Continued.)

FROM Mr BLAKE

The following personal letter v

RONCEVERTE, February 26, 1898. ther complications, and be in time made enormous sums of money publishing the Messenger, and would stop at nothing to preserve reputation.

Please consider a moment. I am raising a family, the mem my hair, force on me a clean coltion. Sir, I beg of you, don't pub

I am even willing to acknow faze me none, fer gittin' that car- gennine Virginia Colonel, the fin- ted so many crimes in my youth you claim to have the proof. I cost me a dollar. Over thar's the Weston went back to his room now experience the truth of Scrip

Yours truly, WILLIAM B. BLAKE.

Ragged Edge Bill."

BIOGRAPHIC NOTES. BY W. T. P.

* ADADADADADADADADADADADADADA

HIS paper is composed of fragmentary notices of one of the early settlers of the Glade Hill neighborhood. Benjamin Arbogast, Sen., the progenitor of a well known branch of the Arpogast relationship, settled early in the century near Glade Hill on the lands now in possession of Cornelius Bussard, Clark Dilley and others. In his home were five sons and three daughters: Henry, Solomon, John, Adam, Benjamin, Carlotta, Sally and Delilah.

Carlotta became Mrs Johnathan Potts and lived in Upshur county. Sally became the second wife of Ralph Wanless, near Mt Tabor.

Delilah was first-married to Joseph Wooddell near Green Bank. Her second marriage was with Bank. They were the parents of Frederick Pugh. of same vicinty. of five sons and three daughters:

In reference to the sons, we have John, Brown, Christopher, Benjathe following particulars gathered min, Reed, Dorinda, now Mrs Dafrom a variety of sources: Henry Arbogast married Anna James Sutton, and Emma now Mrs

Warwick, on Deer Creek, and set- J. Trace, all three near Green Bank. tled on a part of the homestead. When a little girl Mrs Clarissa Their sons Warwick and Newton Arbogast had her arm crushed in a the champion spellers. died while young. Jamieson mar- cider mill. She was given up to ried Sarah Grimes, of David, and die by the physician sent for from settled on Elk.

Marshall Arbogast married Ra tain John McElwee, ancestor of chel Nottingham, of Harvey, and the McElwee relationship in our lives in Randolph County. Sally Arbogast became Mrs joint saw and razor and amputate

George Arbogast and lives near the arm above the mortified part. Clintic. Margaret was married to Martin rear the five sons and three daugh-

Clark Dilley, of John, and lives on ters just named. What Mrs Arbo-Minta became Mrs Budd Stalna- with her good left arm was not

ker and lives in Randolph county. worth doing. She died quite re-Henry Arbogast was a person of cently. high natural endowments, and was Benjamin Arbogast, Jr., of Benwidely known in our county, and jamin, Sr., married Miss Gibbons, and I believe he was dead afore he the one for dinner?" asked the clothes, but to him a good horse ities in all the relations of life. He Gibbons, 10th Virginia Infantry. greatly respected for his good qual a sister of the gallant Col S. B. J. Cheney for the past 15 years, and bewas a local preacher in the pale of who died 6th of May, 1862, on the the M. E. Church, and "cried McDowell battle field; shot thro' aloud and spared" not when de- the head the moment be reached nouncing the vices and fashfona- the line of fire, leading his men in- Toledo, Ohio, ble foibles of his times. The wri- to action. Benjamin Arbogast, Jr., ter once heard him preach a ser- was one of the most remarkable from the text, "Pray without ceas- persons that ever lived in our couning." The sermon was largely ta- ty. Upon attaining his majority. ken up in a description of the he was appointed constable and he Magic Carpet, we read about in the magnified his office and worked it Arabian Nights entertainment and for all it was worth. He frequentthen used it as an illustration, ed the courts and seemed to have showing that the prayerful soul been infatuated with the lawyers has in prayer something far more of loose habits and alcoholic proto the purpose than the Magic Car- pensities and proficient in the his-Dear Andrew: I have just read pet ever was or could be. He was tory of the four kings. He aspirwith slarm your editorial on "Rag, an enthusiast in his religious views. ed to the distinction of beating horse on the place what could have "Scuse me, boss, 'scuse me! but ged Edged Bill," and your despergot the doctor here in time. The dat's de fust ringin' ob de second at threat of publishing "Stammer of all the prevaling isms,' the one seemed to be what a gentleman 'ism' that was "altogether lovely" should be. He soon acquired his to head off next week's Times, to in his opinion, and he made no se- coveted distinction of being the offer you Ten Thousand Dollars to cret of it. During the war between fastest young man in the county. felt like she never wanted to git est" bell rang short and sharp. suppress the said story. I have the States, he was a sincre, decided When about twenty-five years of but barmless sympathizer with the age he came under the influence of Union cause. When last seen alive Charles See, who taught in the the fragments of a once pretty fair he and his neighbor Eli Bussard family of Col Paul McNeel, at were in charge of a squad of per- Glade Hill, and there was kindled sons claiming to be Confederate in our young friend's mind an irscouts. A few days afterwards,

> near the roadside, about halfway of Latin and algebra from Mr See might rise in just wrath and cut from their homes towards Frost. went a session or two at Hillsboro, From the attitude in which his then away to Dickinson College, in dead body was found, it is inferred Pennsylvania, and was graduated that he died in the act of prayer, among the best in his class. In seeding the text referred to above, the meantime he had profes Solomon Arbogast married Nan- piety, entered the ministry and becy Nottingham, and lived on part came a noted pulpit orator and one of the homestead. In reference of the most distinguished teachers to his family these particulars are of the High Schools under the noted: Allen first married a Miss auspices of the M. E. Church Curry. His second marriage was South. with a Miss Gillespie. He died a few years since at

these two civilians were found dead cation. He learned the rudiments

George married Miss Sallie Ar-Charles was a Union soldier and nomination. Last summer, one of died in the war.

Lizzie was married to Gilmer Sharp and lives near Frost. Mary married William Coope near Green Bank.

Rachel became Mrs Samuel Sutton and lives beyond Green Bank. Caroline first married the late James Ruckman. Her second maringe was to Michael Scales, and ived near Mill Point.

John Arbogast, of Benjamin, Sr. earried Margaret Yeager and lived ear Glade Hill. He was killed by a falling tree; leaving a widow an

Adam Arbogast married Claris-

one with the deepest root is Ayer's. The one with the richest fruit; that, too, is Ayer's. Ayer's Sarsaparilla has a record of half a century of cures; a record of many medals and awards—culminating in the medal of the Chicago World's Fair, which, admitting Ayer's Sarsaparilla as the best—shut its doors against

ere are two kinds of sarsaparilla: The best-and the

rest. The trouble is they look alike. And when the rest dress like the best who's to tell them apart? Well, "the tree

is known by its fruit." That's an old test and a safe one.

And the taller the tree the deeper the root. That's another test. What's the root,—the record of these sarsaparillas? The

the rest. That was greater honor than the medal, to be the only Sarsaparilla admitted as an exhibit at the World's Fair. If you want to get the best sarsaparilla of your druggist, here's an infallible rule: Ask for the best and you'll get Ayer's. Ask for Ayer's and you'll get the best.

The sick are all improving. A few cases of scarlet fever. There has not been much sugar made yet. vid Shears; Eliza became Mrs

BUCKEYE.

Mr C. B. Grimes closed his school on Saturday, had a very interesting spelling match. Mrs C. B. Grimes and little daughter Hoxie and Miss Nora Boblett were

George Buzzard is visiting his sister, Mrs Susan Auldridge.

an adjoining county. The late Cap-The literary society is progressing. Mrs Irene McNeill rendered some excellent music on the guitar at the last meeting. county, had the nerve to take his Charles Hevener the blacksmith

is doing some work for W. Mc. "Willis is very wrestless," and a wedding may be looked for soon. TIM FINIGAN.

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